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(b) Failure to provide documentation regarding transshipment. Where the requirements for preferential tariff treatment set forth elsewhere in this part are met, the port director nevertheless may deny preferential tariff treatment to an originating good if the good is shipped through or transshipped in a country other than the United States, Canada or Mexico and the importer of the good does not provide, at the request of the port director, copies of the customs control documents that indicate to the satisfaction of the port director that the good remained under customs control while in such other country.

Subpart D—Post-Importation Duty Refund Claims

§ 181.31 Right to make post-importation claim and refund duties.

Notwithstanding any other available remedy, including the right to amend an entry so long as liquidation of the entry has not become final, where a good would have qualified as an originating good when it was imported into the United States but no claim for preferential tariff treatment on that originating good was made at that time under §181.21(a) of this part, the importer of that good may file a claim for a refund of any excess duties at any time within one year after the date of importation of the good in accordance with the procedures set forth in §181.32 of this part. Subject to the provisions of §181.23 of this part, Customs may refund any excess duties by liquidation or reliquidation of the entry covering the good in accordance with §181.33(c) of this part.

§ 181.32 Filing procedures.

- (a) Place of filing. A post-importation claim for a refund under §181.31 of this part shall be filed with the director of the port at which the entry covering the good was filed.
- (b) *Contents of claim*. A post-importation claim for a refund shall be filed by presentation of the following:
- (1) A written declaration stating that the good qualified as an originating good at the time of importation and setting forth the number and date of the entry covering the good;

- (2) Subject to §181.22(d) of this part, a copy of each Certificate of Origin (see §181.11 of this part) pertaining to the good;
- (3) A written statement indicating whether or not the importer of the good provided a copy of the entry summary or equivalent documentation to any other person. If such documentation was so provided, the statement shall identify each recipient by name, Customs identification number and address and shall specify the date on which the documentation was provided;
- (4) A written statement indicating whether or not the importer of the good is aware of any claim for refund, waiver or reduction of duties relating to the good within the meaning of Article 303 of the NAFTA (see subpart E of this part). If the importer is aware of any such claim, the statement shall identify each claim by number and date and shall identify the person who made the claim by name, Customs identification number and address; and
- (5) A written statement indicating whether or not any person has filed a protest or a petition or request for reliquidation relating to the good under any provision of law, and if any such protest or petition or request for reliquidation has been filed, the statement shall identify the protest, petition or request by number and date.

§ 181.33 Customs processing procedures.

- (a) Status determination. After receipt of a post-importation claim under §181.32 of this part, the port director shall determine whether the entry covering the good has been liquidated and, if liquidation has taken place, whether the liquidation has become final.
- (b) Pending protest, petition or request for reliquidation or judicial review. If the port director determines that any protest or any petition or request for reliquidation relating to the good has not been finally decided, the port director shall suspend action on the claim filed under this subpart until the decision on the protest, petition or request becomes final. If a summons involving the tariff classification or dutiability of the good is filed in the Court of International Trade, the port director shall suspend action on the claim filed